Exhibit 24

Transcript of the Testimony of Barbara Hines

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Case:

STATE OF TEXAS vs UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Barbara Hines June 26, 2018

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              IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
              FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
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                     BROWNSVILLE DIVISION
  STATE OF TEXAS, et al.,
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             Plaintiffs,
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                                   CASE NO. 1:18:cv-00068
  vs.
  UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
   ET AL.,
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             Defendants,
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   and
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  KARLA PEREZ, et al.,
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       Defendant-Intervenors.)
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                  ORAL VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION
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                         BARBARA HINES
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that begins, "A DACA recipient does not need..."? 2 Α. Yes. 3 Ο. Okay. So I just want to ask you about the last sentence of that paragraph, which reads, "Thus a DACA recipient who travels on advance parole and later 6 marries a US citizen can apply for her green card through adjustment status as immediate relative." 8 Do you agree with that sentence? 9 Α. Yes. 10 All right. Okay. Let's turn back to your Ο. 11 | declaration. Paragraphs 29, 30, and 31. That talks about the 245I portion? 12 13 Α. It does. 14 Do you know how many DACA recipients Okay. Ο. 15 would be eligible for 245I status? 16 Objection, form. MS. PERALES: 17 Α. I don't have that statistics at hand, but there 18 are many people eligible for 245I. 19 (BY MR. DISHER) Okay. Can you give me an Q. 20 estimate about how many? 21 Α. I cannot. 22 Can you give me an estimate about the overlap between people who are eligible for 245I and the people 23 | 24 who are eligible for DACA status? 25 Objection, form. MS. PERALES:

1 A. An explanation?

- Q. (BY MR. DISHER) No, no, no. An estimate about
- 3 the overlap of those two potentially qualifying
- 4 populations?
- 5 A. I -- I can tell you that there are many people,
- 6 many Mexicans who are eligible for 245I because the
- 7 backlog and the quotas in the Mexican system, but I
- 8 cannot give you number.
- Q. Okay.
- 10 A. In the Mexican quota system, I mean.
- 11 Q. What about just generally 245I across the
- 12 board? Can you give me an estimate about how many
- 13 people were to qualify for 245I?
- 14 A. I cannot.
- 15 Q. Okay. So you see in Paragraph 32, the second
- 16 sentence begins, "According to DHS statistics" --
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. -- "between 2013 and 2015, 4,833 DACA
- 19 recipients adjusted their status to lawful permanent
- 20 residents after obtaining advance parole."
- 21 Can you explain that to me? What does the
- 22|4,833 number represent?
- 23 A. The 4,833 represents the statistic on page 8 of
- 24 Exhibit 5.
- 25 Q. Table 4A?

1 Α. Yes. One thing that it does not show is how many of those DACA applicants actually needed advance parole to adjust their status because it's pointed out on little i, on the executive's status, that some recipients of deferred action under DACA may be eligible to file for adjustment of status independent of the grant of advance parole. So of the 4,833, do you know what 8 O. percentage of that could -- that population could have 10 filed for adjustment of status without first obtaining advance parole? 11 | 12 Α. I do not. 13 And do you know what percentage of that 4,833 number could not have filed for adjustment of 14 15 status without advance parole? 16 Α. I do not.

- Q. Do you have any opinion about whether that
 4,833 number includes some percentage of DACA recipients
 who could not have applied for adjustment of status
 without advance parole?
- 21 A. It includes people who could not and people who 22 could have --
- 23 Q. Okay.
- A. -- applied with or without advance -- advance 25 parole.

1 Do you see that? 2 Α. Yes, I do. 3 Ο. Okay. Just explain to me what -- what does that mean? 5 Α. Unlawful presence is a provision in the immigration law. It's a ground of inadmissibility and 6 it is calculated by time you've spent in the United States in unlawful presence. The term "unlawful presence appears in Section 212(a)(9). 10 Ο. Okay. Does deferred action toll the running of 11 the unlawful presence clock? 12 Yes, it does. Α. 13 All right. And does DACA specifically toll the Ο. 14 presence of the unlawful -- excuse me. Let me -- I 15 miss- -- misspoke there. Does DACA specifically toll the running of 16 the unlawful presence clock? 17| 18 Α. No. 19 Q. Okay. And why not? Because it's the deferred action that tolls it. 20 Α. 21 But DACA is a type of deferred action, Q. Okay. 22 right? 23 Α. Yes. 24 So if somebody is granted DACA, then the period Q. of time that that person has DACA does not count towards

that person's unlawful presence? 2 Α. Yes. 3 So, then, the next section is titled, Ο. Okav. "Leaving the US if DACA is canceled"? 5 Α. Yes. 6 What methodology did you use to form the O. Okav. opinions expressed in this section? 8 Α. That is based on my expertise and my years of |working with the DACA population, with -- with, I guess, 10 documents that I've read in order to teach, but 11 primarily from working with this population. 12 Ο. Okay. The second -- third sentence says, "Almost none of the them considered or made the decision 13 to leave the United States." 14 15 Do you see that? 16 Α. Yes, I do. 17 All right. And what is that sentence based on? Ο. 18 Α. That's based on the fact that I have worked with the population before they had DACA and they did 20 not -- and the -- the people that I counseled that were undocumented, subsequently DACA, none of them were 21 22 making plans to leave the United States. 23 And about how big of a group of people Ο. Okav. is that? 24 Is what? 25 Α.

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